

SENATE BILL 796

By Oliver

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10; Title 3 and Title 8, Chapter 50, Part 5, relative to campaign finances.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-10-114(a), is amended by adding the following new subdivision:

() The funds may be used to reimburse a candidate for expenditures for child care or dependent care that are incurred by the candidate as a direct result of the candidate's participation in campaign-related events and activities, and that would not exist irrespective of the candidate's candidacy.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-10-114(b), is amended by adding the following new subdivision (3) and redesignating the subsequent subdivision accordingly:

(3) For purposes of this subsection (b), the disbursement of funds to a candidate for expenditures for child care or dependent care that are incurred by the candidate as a direct result of the candidate's participation in campaign-related events and activities, and that would not exist irrespective of the candidate's candidacy, is not a disbursement of funds for a candidate's personal use prohibited under this subsection (b), and a candidate may disburse campaign funds for expenditures for child care or dependent care described in this subdivision (b)(3).

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-10-114, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

() As used in this section, "expenditures for child care or dependent care" means expenditures incurred directly by a candidate for the care of a minor child, a

person sixty-five (65) years of age or older, or a person with a documented disability or medical condition who requires routine assistance.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.